(3) have the Government apprised the Ernakulam Municipality of the urgency and importance of this question; if so, when; what was the reply received;

(4) will the Government be pleased to inquire whether waste lands are not available in Wards 9 and 10 of the Municipality itself for locating the night soil depot;

(5) are the Government aware that the Kalur road and the neighbourhood of the Kalur night soil depot are more crowded and more frequented than many of the Wards of the Municipality?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(1) The Indore method was started at Trippunittura as an experimental measure and it is still in the experimental stage on account of the difficulty felt to prevent the foul stench arising at the time of mixing night soil with town rubbish and the consequent inconvenience felt by the neighbours who are residing within a radious of one furlong.

The method was not tried anywhere else.

(2) Other methods such as the one tried at Quilon are under the consideration of the Municipality.

(3) The question is receiving the attention of the Municipality. The deputation of a Municipal Sanitary Inspector for training at Quilon has also been sanctioned by Government.

(4) Waste lands suitable for the purpose are not available in Wards 9 and 10.

(5) The locality is not more crowded.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Hon'ble Member kindly give us some more details about this Quilon method?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—I have already sent a Sanitary Inspector to Quilon and after he returns I will give that information.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—What approximately is this Indore scheme?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—I don't think during this question time I can explain the Indore Method.

Lanes—Vannamadai, Moongalmadai, etc.—widening of.

187. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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(1) how far have they progressed in the widening of lanes in Vannamadai, Moogalmadai, Nalleppalli, etc., Panchayats which the Government had said they had taken in hand at the last sitting of the Council;

(2) whether they are aware that much difficulty is experienced by the public by the Panchayat of Nalleppalli not proceeding further with the widening of lanes;

(3) Whether they are aware that by the stopping of the improvements to the Ankarath lane—half-finished—small lanes such as the Appat lane, etc., are inundated with rain water and the inhabitants near by are put to great difficulties?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(1) The Parakulathu, Chettithara, Ankarath and Chondath lanes have already been repaired and the repair of the remaining lanes will be taken up one after another according to the comparative urgency and availability of funds.

(2) There may be some difficulty. Steps will be taken to minimise it according to the availability of funds and in the order of urgency.

(3) The works already attended to have not in any way caused any additional difficulties to the inhabitants even though they may not have entirely removed the difficulties that existed originally.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Does not the Government think that the difficulty experienced will be greatly minimised if side ways are constructed?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—There is no space to construct any side way.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Acquire it.

Panchayats visited by the Director of Public Health and Panchayats.

188. **Mr. A. Narayana Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) the names of the Panchayats visited by the Director of Public Health and Panchayats in 1111;

(2) the dates of such visits and the work done by him in each case?

Dr. E. S. R. Menon.—(1) and (2) The Director of Public Health and Panchayats visited all the Panchayats in 1111 as

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